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## **Governor's Regional Economic Roundtables Cancelled**

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, November 2, 2004 . . . . . The series of economic roundtables that were scheduled to take place the second and third weeks in November have been cancelled.

“We did not anticipate a Special Session would take place on the very day the first roundtable was to begin in Montgomery,” says Phyllis Kennedy, director of the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations. “It is possible that we may reschedule all of the roundtables sometime next year.”

The roundtables were designed to cover topics of interest to employers and were sponsored jointly by the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations, the Alabama Retail Association, the Business Council of Alabama, the Chamber of Commerce Association of Alabama, the National Federation of Independent Business, and the Governor's Office. Employers wishing to know of future roundtables should send their company's e-mail address to Debbie Herbert at [dherbert@dir.state.al.us](mailto:dherbert@dir.state.al.us).

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